be practically no response to them on the part of the mine workers.

It is expected that all classes of employes, except firemen, engineers and pump rinners, who are not affected by the order, will quit, including even those who do not favor a suspension of work. District President T. C. Nichols, of the United Mine Workers of America, arrived in this city to-day, together with Secretary John D. Dempsey and some of the district board members, who have been in attendance at the meeting in Indianapolis.

Position of Miners.

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From one of the board members who discussed the action taken by the joint boards in ordering a cessation for tomerrow morning, something concerning the position of the mine workers on this question was learned.

"There has apparently been some surples at the action taken," said he. "There should not have been any. Our contract or working agreement with the coal companies expired last night, in the absence of any other working agreement, the mine workers can do nothing but cease work, pending the making of a new contract. That has been our standall along; a determination to have a definite understanding with the operators concerning terms of labor. We have had that for three years, and now we want a new working agreement. That's the situation in the proverbal nut shell."

Ready to Operate.

All of the over big coal companies are following the Delaware, Lackawanna and Western Company, in positing notices announcing that they stand ready to continue to operate under the provisions of the mine striker commission's award. The Delaware, Lackawanna and Western Company operated four of its washeries with the regular forces of men ordinarily employed about them to-day. Most in the Bunker Hill section.

MOVING THEIR TOOLS.

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#### Railroad Companies Preparing to Try to Continue Work.

Try to Continue Work.

(By Associated Press)

WILKESBARRIE, PA., April 1.—In obedience to the suspension order of the miners and laborers were busy last night, and to-day are removing their tools and supplies from the collieries and breakers. The miners and laborers throughout this district will generally refrain from working until such time as they are ordered back by the union.

To-day and to-night the rallroad companies were busy filling sidings leading to some of the large breakers with empty coal cars, preparatory to making an strengt to continue work to-morrow. Notices are posted at some of the breakers announcing there will be work for all who apply.

#### No Coal Available.

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(By Associated Press.)

SOUTH McALISTER, IND. TY, April

1.—There was practically an developments in the coal strike situation to-day.

All is quiet about the mines and where
engineers and firence joined the strikers
and left the pumps last night substitutes
lave been placed in charge. Neither the
miners nor striking eagheers paid any
attention to this move to-day. An authoritative statement is made that there
is not a car of coal for commercial use
to be bought in the Territory to-night.

To-night it is reported that some of
the operators who were expected to open
their mines Monday morning will not
make the attempt.

#### Situation in Texas.

Grant Struction in Texas.

(By Associated Press.)

FORT WORTH, TEXAS, April 1.—

Work in the coal mines of Texas stopped Saturday night and the situation is merely one of waiting to ascertain what will be the result.

As far as can be learned about 1.200 men quit work at Thurber, about 500 men quit work at Thurber, about 500 men quit work at Thurber, about 500 men price and Mount Sterling and 200 men for the cannot be ascertained. There will be a secretained. There will be the men have been working has expired and they have merely stopped until a new contract is made.

## Raise Price in Mexico.

(By Associated Press.)

MEXICO CITY, April 1.—The strike of the anthracite coal miners in the United States, it is anticipated, will result in raising the price of coal among all dealers here, whether they are handling native or imported coal.

## Situation Quiet.

(By Associated Press.) ST. LOUIS, MO., April 1.—The situation in the coal fields of southwestern Illinois among the striking coal miners is quiet

#### NO DEVELOPMENTS IN FRENCH STRIKE

#### Great Indignation Against Miners Who Continue Working, Notwithstanding Threats.

(By Associated Press.) LENS, FRANCE, April L.—The striking coal miners of this district were comparatively calm to-day. There is, however, great indignation against the Bruay miners, who continue working notwithstanding the threats of violence. notwithstanding the threats of violence. The troops have been reinforced in the vicinity in order to prevent collisions, but no display of force has been made. The body of Botel, a striker killed yesterday by Carron, the man who refused to join the strikers, and was in consequence attacked at his home near Lens, was conveyed for burial to a distant village for the purpose of avoiding violent demonstrations. Several strikers meetings were held to-day, in the course of which the determination was expressed to insist upon the demands that have been made.

companies have not replied to the request for a resumption of negotiations.
Minister of Public Works Barthou ar-Minister of Public Works Barthou arrived at Courrieres to-day and distributed the decorations awarded to the miners who were taken from the pit last Friday. There was a touching eremony at the hospital, where the miners are under treatment. The minister afterwards, wearing a miner's working costume, descended into the mine, from which the survivors escaped, and leads a thorough examination of it. He witnessed the recovery of several bodies.



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# PEACE IN EUROPE IS NOW ASSURED

Moroccan Agreement Hailed With Satisfaction by French Officials and Press.

#### FAIR SETTLEMENT FOR BOTH

Dream of Vast Northwest African Empire Has Been Dissipated, However.

(By Associated Press.)

PARIS, April 1.—Foreign Minister Bourgeois, at an early date, will address the Chamber of Deputies sitting for the government's view as to the result of the conference on Moroccan reforms at Algeciras.

The agreement is halled with satisfaction by officials and by the public press, which was weary of the prolonged controversy and the disturbing possibilities of war. The view in officing quarters is that France secures a fair degree of

of war. The view in officin quarters is that France secures a fair degree of success on the principal questions relating to the police and state bank. However, it is recognized that noither France nor Germany has secured all that was wanted. France's desire to have control of the police was partially realized in her being allowed to police the important Atlantic posts, including Mogador, which Germany was suspected as coveting and also with her ally. Spain, to police Tangier and Casa Blanca.

On the other hand, it is thought that Germany's desire to internationalize Morocco was partly realized, as the France-Spanish police is subordinated to an inspector who will report to the diplomatic origs. Thus both cointries, in a measure were successful, but each is so safeguarded that netther will be able to claim a victory. France's Pacific penetration of Morocco, it is thought, is remotely postponed, as is likewise the dream of the vast northwest African empire, Aside from the details of the great achievement, the officials consider that the agreement between France and Germany assures the preservation of the peace of Europe.

## LEADERS FLEEING.

#### Gunboat Prevents Landing of Arms for Carlists.

Arms for Carlists.

(By Associated Press.)

FARCELONA, April 1.--The gunboat Pinzon is cruising off Barcelona in order to prevent arms and annumition ranching the Carlists. There have been numerous seizures of rifies at Monistrol, twenty-seven miles northwest of Barcelona.

The landers of the agliation are ficeing across the frontier in consequence of the authorities who now consider that the movement has practically been stamped out.

## Schooner Sunk; Crew Rescued.

GERALITAR, April 1.—The British stamer Daleby, Captain Ramsey, from Bombay, bound for Baltimore, put in here to-day and reported having been in collision off Almeria, Spain, with the Spanish schooner Dos Hermanns, of Villa Garda, The schooner is believed to have sunk. Her crew was recured and landed. No damage was sustained by the Daleby.

## Coming to America.

(By Associated Press.)
PARIS, April 1.-The armored cruisers
Admiral Laube and Marsellaise are preparing to sail to Join the French Atlantic
squadron. Ca the way the cruisers will return the visit of the United States squadron which came to France to receive the
remains of Admiral John Paul Jones.

## Strike in Havana.

(By Associated Press.)
HAYANA, April 1.-The strike of street railway caployes continues. There were several conflicts to-day. The police have amply protected the company, but it has been able to run but few cars.

## Roosevelts at Havana.

(By Associated Press.)
HAVANA, April 1.--Mrs. Roosevelt, accompanied by her children, Ethel, Archic and Quentin, arrived here to-day on board the Maydower.

## Former Premier Dead.

(By Associated Press.) VOSSEVANGEN, NORWAY, April I.--J. W. C. Steen, former Norwegin Premier, died here to-day of heart disease.

## Married shapely, pretty figure, and many of them deplore the loss of their girlish forms after marriage. The bearing of children is often destructive

Women to the mother's shapeliness, All of this can be avoided, however, by the use of Mother's Friend before baby comes, as this great liniment always prepares the body for the strain upon it, and preserves the symmetry of her form. Mother's Friend overcomes all the danger of child-birth, and carries the expectant mother safely through this critical period without pain. It is woman's greatest blessing.

Thousands gratefully tell of the benefit and relief derived from the use of this wonderful remedy. Sold by all druggists at \$1.00 per



## MRS. BURKE ROCHE HARASSE BY DIVORCED HUSBAND



MRS. BURK E ROCHE.

A society sensation of considerable proportions was caused last week by an advertisement. In Paris newspapers setting forth that "the Honorabia James Roche hereby notifies all concerned that he is in ng way responsible for debts contracted in France by an American lady styling herself sometimes Mrs. Work Roche, or Burke Roche, and sometimes Lady Roche, Burke Fermoy, or Roche." The notice, which was inserted by Mrs. Burke Roche, the notice, which was inserted by Mrs. Burke Roche, whom she divorced lifteen years ago, has raised a storm of indignation among Mrs. Roche's friends and relatives in this country. Frank Work, the millionaire horseman and father of Mrs. Fanny Roche, is particularly bilter.

er. Mrs. Roche and her daughter, Cynthia Roche, are now in Italy. Many of ir friends foar that Mrs. Roche's former husband will harass her through medium of European laws, some of which impose peculiar penaltics uopn es who have obtained freedom by unrecognized foreign divorces.

Rumored That Revolutionists Are Preparing to Throw Bombs in St. Petersburg.

## ATTEMPT TO KILL PRIEST

Entire List of Sixty-six Candi dates Put Under Arrest In Odessa.

(By Associated Press.)
WARSAW, RUSSIAN: POLAND,
April 1.—The revolutionists here have
announced their intention to declare
a general stike in order to prevent
the government from contracting a
new loan.

(By Associated Press.)
ST. PETERSBURG, April 1.—The
Russian consul at Slestan, Persia, reports that in consequence of the riots
there, quarantine regulations are no
longer enforced, and that the plague
is increasing and spreading northward.

ward.

(By Assor, ted, Press.)

ST. PETERSBUHG, April 1.—To-morrow the city of St. Petersburg will choose electors to the municipal congress, which in turn will elect six members to the National Parliament. The banks will be closed and business will be suspended. Many rumors are affont that the revolutionists intend to create disorders and throw bombs in the polity. The close of the close of the campaign was marked by great activity and considerable excitement, but these, did, not compare with the scenes at American political meetings. Speeches wate prohibited, but hundreds of thousands of circulars were malled to voters, and the constitutional democrats employed the expedient of dispatching their reading matter by messenger in order that it would be sure to reach the persons to whom it was sent.

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Claiming Victory.

The strength of the constitutional Democrats has compelled the moderates and conservatives to pool issues, and the Octoberists and progressive conomists and the law and order and trade and industries parties, have put in the field a "block" ticket. Nevertheless, the constitutional Democrats claim a certain and sweeping victory, and the indications are that they will carry the day. They enjoy the advantage of planning their cards above board, having openly announced that tick delegates are pledged to vote for six of the following nine candidates for Parliament:

M. Kedrine, the well known lawyer;
M. Roditcheff, a member of the Executive Committee of the Bar Association;
M. Petrunkevilch, a brother of Ivan Petrunkevilch, the Zenstvoist of Tver;
M. Naboukoff, leader of the Liberal party; M. Hessen, editor of Rech; M. Vinovr, M. Petrojivsky, M. Federoff and M. Kagrieff.

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M. Kanrieff, The "block," on the contrary, is care-The "block," on the contrary, is carefully concealing the names of their parliamentary candidates, and are contenting themselves with the publication—a list of their 160 candidates to the municipal congress.

It is evident they fear that if the names are revealed the radicals will concentrate to defeat them by rallying to the cry of "block".

## Polls Open This Morning.

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"The Emperor and the liberty and integrity of Russia party," a so-called party of Democratic reforms, has thrown in its lot with the constitutional Democrats. The reactionaries, realizing that it is dangerous to be divided in stengit, have not placed a ticket in the Celd, and will vote the "block,"

With the exception of the Novo Vremya and Slovo, which are supporting the "block," all the newspapers have declared for the constitutional Democrats. The Novo Vremya viciously attacks the parlamentary candidates of the constitutional Democrats, characterizing them as "renegades," "Jews" 2nd "Poles."

The city of St. Petersburg is divided into twelve districts, each with a single polling place, which elects from five to twenty delegates. The polls will be open from 9 A. M. to 9 P. M.

Candidates Arrested. (By Associated Press.)

# ODESSA, April 1.—On the eve of the prelintinary elections among the workmen of sixty-siv factories, all the sixty-six candidates were arrested because they displayed to liberal tendencies, and the authorities directed the voters to choose other candidates belonging to the re-actionary parties. Professor Ivan Michaelovitch Zanchevsky, rector of the university here, will be placed on trial before the Senate. He is charged, with organizing the student militia which defended the jews during the massacres last November. Governor-General Kaulbars has prohibited all election meetings, alleging that he fears disorders might result.

#### More From Father Gapon.

Gly Associated Press.]
ST. PETTERBURG. April 1.—Father Gapon, in a letter to the procurator, says he is only living in St. Petersburg by tolerance, and demands to be put on trial, in order to defend his honor and legalize his status, or, if guilty, to be condemned.

CRONSTAIT, April 1.—Father John Sergieff, better known as Father John of Cronstad, was attacked in the Cathedral here to-day white descending from the altar to address the sacrament. His assailant struck him with a loaded cane, but Father John dodged the blow, which smashed the cup. The man was arrested. The penalty for violation of the sacrament in Russia is death.

(By Associated Press.)
EKATERINOSLAV, April 1.—The Octoberists captured the city eloctions by electing to the municipal congress forty-seven of its delegates as against thirteen Constitutional Democrats, afficen Jews and five Reactionists.

## MEXICAN CONGRESS.

#### Government Will Elect Delegates to Pan-American Congress.

The message shows that great progress

has been made in mining, agriculture, harbor improvements and railway con-

Notwithstanding the loss of a part of

## VIQUEZ ELECTED.

(By Associated Press.)
SAN JOSE, COSTA RICA, April 1.—
Licensiado Cleio Gonzales Viquez, formerly minister of finance, was to-day
elected president of the Republic of Costa

sults of the conference.

#### Father John Attacked.

## Octoberists Win.

to Pan-American Congress.

(By Associated Press.)

MENICO CITY, MEX., April 1.—President Diaz opened the spring session of Congress this evening.

In his semi-annual message he sintes that the government will select delegates to the pan-American conference, to he held at Rio Janeto in July, 671 for The Mexican Senate has approved the adhesion of Mexico to the terms of the Geneva conference respecting neutrality of hospitals in time of war, and the government signifies its willingness to take part in the proposed second peace congress at The Hague. President Diaz states that the foreign relations of Mexico are most satisfactory.

Much attention in the message is devoted to saultary matters and to the campaign against yellow fever on the general to typing fever in the capital.

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Notwithstanding the loss of a part of the wheat and make crops, and more especially of wheat, business transactions of all kinds have been more active than ever. The era of prosperity in the xe-public is largely due to the monetary re-forms, which, among other happy results, has powerfully stimulated the investment of foreign coultal.

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Milliary and naval maters are dealt with at length. The army shows much progress on modern lines.

The message is a strong business-like document, and confirms the opinions of bankers and others that the country has entered on a period of great business activity.

## Former Minister of Finance Now President of Costa Rica.

## Welcome Settlement.

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(By Associated Press.)
LONDON, April 2.—The London newspapers in their editorial articles this morning, welcome the settlement of the points in controversy between France and Germany over Morocco as removing the anarchical conditions in Morocco which have constituted a constant menace to the peace of Europe. They consider that although France may be disappointed in her aspirations for the "Pacific penetration," she has secured alther immediate and solid interests in Morocco, besides establishing on a firmed basis than even her prestige in Europe, and that therefore she has meason to be dissalfsied with the results of the conference.

BRIEF ITEMS FROM EVERYWHERE. would be back and would bring him a lottle of good whiskey,

TOLEDO.-The Theodore Roosevelt, intended to be the fastest steamer on the Grent Lakes, was launched Saturday.

Write for the immensely interesting and amusing Bill Bailey letters, published every month. Sent free.

ST. LOUBS.-After fatally wounding his wife, Martin Gleschell killed himself, pov-erty being the cause of the tragedy. COLUMBUS.-The Ohio Legislature has adopted resolutions asking Congress to investigate charges against Estes G. Rath-bone in connection with the Cuban postal

WASHINGTON, D. C.—Brewery workers will strike unless closed shops, increased wages and shorter hours are granted.

PITTSVILLE, PA.—The three burgiars who murdered Mrs. John Morrison, ut Cumbola, two weeks ago, are in custory and will be given a hearing.

MANSFIELD, O.—'Girls in love are not competent to teach school.' This was the decree proclaimed to-day by a jury in the Common Pleas Court in the sult of Ethel M. Downend against the Madison Township Board of Education for \$328.42.

IDA GROVE, IA.—Unable to settle their dispute as to who should be mayor by any other means W. J. Anderson and Robert Lipton have agreed to play a game of eards to determine who should withdraw,

LONDON, KY.—When George Clinton, a trusty, who was confined in the Frank-in county fall at Frankfort, arrived here to visit his family he wired J. W. Bridges, the Jailer, not to be alarmed, as after he has secured several good meals, no

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BILL BAILEY

Just as a man is known by the company he keeps,

so chewers of Bill Bailey are recognized as critical,

discriminating judges of good, economical tobacco.

MORRISTOWN, N. J.—"The home of millionaire milkmen" is what this town in the son be dubbed. Hamilton McKay Twombly has his employes peddling milk about the streets, Rudolph H. Kissel has been sending milk from his lannere farm to the New York market for some time, and now David Hunter McAlpin, multimillionaire, enters the field.

LANCASTER, PA.—The court gave the trustees of the Sadsbury Meeting House, a Quaker institution, permission to sell a strip of Iand. The trustees own 56 acres, which were deeded to the enurch by Thomas and Richard Penn in 1744, and this is the first reconveyance of any part thereof since then.

GREENSBURG, PA.—Crazed by excessive deinking, J. A. C. Ruffner, attorney for a number of large corporations, shot his wife and daughter. The mother is lying at the Westmoreland Hospital, and will die from compleations which have already set in. Ruffner was captured after a two-hour man-hint, and, waiving a hearing, was committed to fall.

CASHTON, WIS.—By a decree of the Circuit Court, Peter Paulson, a farmer, living ten miles outside of this town, will have to go to church every Sunday for fifteen years if he wishes to receive as portion of a legacy, Paulson's mother died some time ago, and, being of a religious nature, she left him a bequest contingent, however, on his attending religious service every Sunday.

brigade. Out of a total of upward of 3.99 fires, however, only sixty-four are classi-fied as serious. Exactly 100 lives were lost during the year.

No better tobaccos made than those man- fulactured by Bailey Bros., Winston-Salem, North Carolina. NOT IN A TRUST.

HAZELTON, PA.—Walter Wilde, the Wost Point cader who recently underwent a terrible ordeal in the Polyclinic Hospital, Philadelphia, for the stretching of his injured leg, was notified by the national military authorities that his furlough is extended to August 28th, in the hope that he will then be in condition to qualify at the Academy.

POTTSVILLE, PA.—A heavy from weight which Joseph Weiner was throwing out of a window on the third story of the Berger factory at Schupkill Haven caught on a button on Weiner's yest and pulled him out of the window. He fell is feet with the iron, and is fatally injured.

PITTSBURG.—According to Assistant District-Attorney Robb, informations will be made against three of the most prominent people in the social and imaneial world of Pittsburg within a few days in connection with the Hartje divorce proceedings. They will be charged with conspiracy to injure the name of Mrs. Hartje, who has been sued by her husband, August Hartje, the millionaire paper manufacturer, for divorce.

CONSHOHOCKEN, PA.—The children of Mrs. Davis Stemple, Mrs. Joseph Townsend and Henry Hummell have employed counsel to prosecute their claims for the \$2.000.00 estate in California of Charles Hummell, who died recently.

BINGHAMTON, N. Y.—Miss Eloise Wilmot, for lifteen years organist of the First Methodist Episcopal Church, of Great Bend, Pa., died while playing to-day.

LONDON.—Ten fires daily was approximately last year's average in London, according to the annual report of the fire will be punished Monday.

## THINGS THAT THE WORLD WILL BE DOING THIS WEEK

#### Senate Engaged With Railroad Rate Bill-Coal Situation Acute---Strike In France---Big Boat Race.

The railroad rate bill will, during the present week, receive the attention of the national Senate, to the exclusion of almost all other subjects. The bill will be taken up to-day as soon as the routine business is disposed of, and Senator Long will introduce the amendment agreed upon at the conference of friends of the bill with President Roosevell last Sauriday night, providing specifically for judicial reviews of orders of the Interjudicial reviews of orders of the Inter-state Commerce Commission.

state Commerce Commission.

Senators who took part in the conference believe that twenty-nine Republicans and the entire minority will support this amendment. Should the expectation of these friends of the bill be realized, the vote upon the measure as a whole will be reached much earlier than was anticipated when the Senate adjourned Friday evening. ourned Friday evening.

Week in the House.

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In the House of Representatives, motions to suspend the rules and pass bills on the calendar will be in order to-day. The bill placing the Federal government in position to aid in the suppression of yellow fever epidentes has been made a special order for Tuesday.

This bill carries an appropriation of \$500,000 and enlarges the powers of the Public Health and Marine Hespitals Sorvice ito such an extent that oc-operation between the Federal and State authorities may be had without intringing on the police powers of the States, rendering unnecessary the "shotgun quarantine," and put the Southern sea-coast States in position to repol the invasion of yellow fever from other shores.

Beginning Wednesday, the postofice appropriation bill has the right of way throughout the week.

Coal Controversy.

The crisis in the coal mining wage controversy has been reached. In the hituminous fields the miners will be permitted to return to work in properties where the increase demanded is allowed, but where the demands are not granted there will be strikes. The anthracite miner operators' committee will meet the miners' committee in New York on Tuesday, and a further conference on the wage scale will be held. Pending the outcome of this miceting, the anthracite miners have been called out and will not return to work until an adjustment of their demands has been brought about. At the collicities the operators have adopted a conciliatory tone and will do nothing to irritate the miners, so that disturbances are not anticipated.

Strike in France.

The cight with a convention of the National Association of Railway Commissioners will be held in Washington on April 2d. The association will discuss electric railways, railway taxes, grade crossings, turiff rates, and the dutles and work of State rallway commissioners

## Tuskegee Celebration.

The twenty-fifth anniversary of the founding of the Tuskegee Institute will be observed at Tuskegee, Ala., on April 4th. President Booker T. Washington, of the Institute, will tell of the growth of negro education and addresses will be delivered by President Bilot, of Harvard, Andrew Carnegle and Secretary Tatt.

## Fight to Save Patrick.

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The fight to save the life of Albert T. Patrick, under sentence of death for the murder of the aged Texas millionaire, William M. Rice, will be resumed in New York Tuesday before Recorder Goff, on the motion for a new trial. Interesting testimony will be given by a number of pathologists as to the similarity in the effects on human linuses of chloroform and embalming fluid, and new witnesses from Texas are expected.

Big Boat Race. The annual Oxford-Cambridge brace will take place on the Thames Saturday, April 7th,

Are at the Mecklenburg. Hichmonders at the Mccklenburg, Chase Hly, are: Mr. M. W. Ridden, Prof. W. L. Foishee, Mr. Clyde W. Saunders and Wife, Miss Corline Saunders and Mr. W. H. Fleming.

Personals and Briefs.

# Capitol Polteman G. W. (Long Tom) Haynes has gone to his home in Diekenson county to visit his people, and its seem some time in recreation. Mr. Haynes expects to take a bird's-ove Mr. of the congressional situation in the Ninth District while at his mountain home.

1-30th of the entire Quinine production of the World is consumed every year by the makers of

# MUCH WORK FOR THE COUNCIL SESSION

Lower Branch to Transact Much Business To-night-Carnegie Library Matter.

Library-Matter.

The lower branch of the Council will held its April session to-night at 8 o'clock, and a great deal of business of more or less importance will come up for conesideration.

The Carnegle public library matter will be one of them, and this is likely to cause much discussion. The proposition of Mr. Carnegle will hardly pass from present indications. The offer of the \$200,000, provided the city would contribute five per cent, annually for nainstanding the library, and Councilmen loosed with favor upon this. It now develors that Mr. Carnegle means to hold the city up to his original proposition, requiring ten per cent, of the amount annually. Well posted members do not think this proposition will go through, as it is identical with the one heretofore rejected.

Beyond this and the mass operation in decision of the famount annually contributes the license tax and private bankers at \$400 per year. The pattion will be presented by Mesers, Smith, Moncure & Gordon, autorneys. Smith, Moncure & Gordon, autorneys. Smith, Moncure & Gordon, autorneys from the famount annually.

It is expected that the attorneys will ask the privileges of the floor to be heard on the petition.

# NOVEL SUIT OVER PASSAGE OF BILL

of Virginia, and A. W. Harman, treas-

of Virginia, and A. Tatama, frees-urer of Virginia."

There is no allegation of fraud in the bill, and the parties pressing the matter entertain no suspicion on this line. They allege "a cherical omission, by some per-son unknown, whereby the intention of the General Assembly is defeated."

Governor in Sympathy,
Governor Swanson has given his assurances that he would have cheerfully signed the complete bill as passed, had it been so curolled when presented, as he is in thorough sympathy with the objects

is in thorough sympathy with the objects sought by its patron. The bill in chancery, which will be filed within a week or ten days, will be made returnable at rules the third Monday in April.

It is not known what turn the case will take, as it is entirely unique in nearly all its ramifications. Attorney-General Anderson was busy Saturday on other matters and could not confer with Mr. Cumming. So it is not known what if any, part he will take in the case.

Strike in France.

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France has assumed serious proportions, E. W. GROVE'S strattered box. 23c